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1. Landeshauptmann Weissgatterer of Tyrol denies any association with the separatist movement in Tyrol. He admits having helped Dr. Blaas obtain permission to visit South Tyrol, but merely so that Blaas could procure wine for his War Invalids Association.

2. In South Tyrol, Blaas spoke with the leaders of the Trentiner autonomous movement, including Caproni of the separatist movement Assr, to whom he expounded his ideas of an autonomous Tyrol stretching from Ala to Kufstein within the Italian State. Caproni reported Blaas' conversation to Dr. Vollger of the SVP (South Tyrolean People's Party), and added that the Trentiner had listened to Blaas with the greatest interest and enthusiasm.

3. Blaas also expounded his ideas to Drs. Vollger and Ebner of the SVP. He violently attacked Gruber's foreign policy and stated that Tyrol wished to have nothing to do with Vienna, that his goal was an autonomous Tyrol as the basis of a new alpine state in Central Europe. Initially, he stated, it would probably be necessary to form this new state within the Italian State, but that he foresaw the day when it would break away from Italy and establish its independence. [redacted]

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